SPECIAL MEETING – MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL March 9, 2015

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Kegler, Kochenburger (6:37 p.m.) Marcellino, Moran, Paterson, Raymond, Ryan, Shapiro, Wassmundt

II. WORK SESSION

Town Manager Matt Hart introduced Lee Huang, Econsult Solution Senior Vice-President, stating that the firm has been hired to look at UConn's NextGenCT project and a few prior projects and assess both the economic benefits and anticipated future service impacts.

Mr. Huang discussed the purpose of the report, introduced his consulting team, and provided an overview of the research approach. He expects the final finding to be completed in May 2015. The report will provide growth scenarios so that no matter what the level of implementation of NextGenCT is, the Town will have enough information to nimbly react to the reality.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO COMMENT

Arthur Smith, Mulberry Road, asked if the modeling will include the effect of new technologies for offsite learning and opportunities for increased partnerships with off campus entities and if so, are those entities broken down by research interest and any effects on the community.

Pat Suprenant, Mansfield Independent News, commented that there was no reference to quality of life issues and asked if they will be addressed in the report. Ms. Suprenant asked if the carbon footprint of the project will be addressed.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shapiro moved and Mr. Ryan seconded to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor Mary Stanton, Mansfield Town Clerk